



DELMARVA AGRICULTURE DATA WEEKLY BROILER CHICKS REPORT

08/17/05 **BC-33-05**

PLACEMENTS UP 4%

For the week ending August 13, 2005, growers placed 11.8 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 3.6% above the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (11.8 million) increased 3.6% from comparable week in 2004. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.9 million, an increase of 0.5% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 11.2 million for the week ending August 06, 2005 compared to 11.0 million slaughtered during the same week in 2004.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED ON DELMARVA

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		CHICKS EGGS SET 1/ HATCHED			CHICKS PLACED 2/				
	WEEK	PREV	CURR	PREV	CURR	PREV	CURR		
	ENDING	YEAR	YEAR	YEAR	YEAR	YEAR	YEAR		
THOUSANDS									
	06/18/05	14,144	14,414	11,734	11,917	11,734	11,918		
	06/25/05	14,001	14,298	11,602	11,883	11,632	11,883		
	07/02/05	13,576	13,787	11,648	11,895	11,648	11,895		
	07/09/05	13,721	14,206	11,741	11,906	11,741	11,906		
	07/16/05	13,821	14,160	11,686	11,867	11,686	11,967		
	07/23/05	13,813	14,289	11,259	11,543	11,683	11,543		
	07/30/05	13,851	14,140	11,425	11,819	11,425	11,819		
	08/06/05	13,881	14,184	11,439	11,810	11,614	11,810		
	08/13/05	13,803	13,875	11,416	11,826	11,416	11,826		

- 1/ For all broiler-type chicks, including those intended for hatchery flocks.
- 2/ The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments. None of those numbers are published to avoid disclosure of proprietary information.
- * Revised.

NEGOTIATED PRICE FOR TRUCKLOT OF READY-TO-COOK, ICE-PACK, GRADE A FRYERS (\$ per CWT) 1/

WEEK ENDING		PREV.	PREV.	PREV.	
	08/20/05	WEEK	MONTH	YEAR	
New York Weighted Avg	69.56	69.52	72.65	70.87	
12-City Composite 2/	71.32	71.72	72.93	75.97	

- 1/ Source: U.S.D.A., Poultry Market News.
- 2/ 12-cities: Boston/New England, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis and San Francisco.